

Official CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting of May 4, 1932, and Adjourned Regular Meeting of May 11, 1932.

SUMMARY

Permit granted to Legion to sell fireworks.
Steiner's resignation returned.
Ordinance fixing salaries given first reading.
Resolution fixing engineer's and street superintendent's salaries adopted.
Resolution regarding notice to L. A. city school board regarding charter election adopted.
Status of water company explained.
Rescind action in regard to attorney's fee in city damage case.
Action in regard to Prairie avenue.
Committee appointed in Health Center matter.
Mayor asks for clocks.
Cabrillo avenue paving.
May 11
Adoption of salary ordinance.

Torrance, California, May 4th, 1932.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Torrance, was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, May 4th, 1932, and was called to order at 7:45 P. M. by Mayor Klusman.

The following Councilmen were present: COUNCILMEN: Wright, Ludlow, Conner, Steiner and Klusman. Absent: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Steiner moved that the minutes of the special meeting of April 26th, 1932, be adopted. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Chairman of the Fire Works Committee of the American Legion, Bert S. Crossland Post No. 476, requesting permission to erect three booths within the city limits for the purpose of selling fireworks on the second, third and fourth of July. Councilman Steiner moved permission be granted. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

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RESOLUTION NO. 532 CONCERNING DEFERRED CHARTER AS REQUESTED OF THE LOS ANGELES SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Councilman Steiner moved that Resolution No. 532 be adopted. Councilman Conner seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Wright, Ludlow, Conner, Steiner and Klusman.

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Mayor Klusman stated Attorney Jensen would explain the status of the water company. Attorney Jensen stated for the benefit of the new members that this case is now in the Supreme Court. Councilman Steiner moved City Attorney Jensen be substituted in this case. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Wright, Ludlow, Conner, Steiner and Klusman. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

The \$500.00 Attorney's fee referred to the case of Venema vs. City of Torrance. Attorney Jensen stated in this case Findley and Rippy are attorneys of record. Judge Rippy stated at time the case was filed he drew up a demurrer to the complaint, made a brief of the entire transaction, the demurrer was overruled and he filed an answer and had plaintiff put up a cost bill. Case is ready for a trial. Councilman Steiner moved the motion heretofore made authorizing the \$500.00 retainer's fee in the Venema vs. City of Torrance be rescinded.

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that the Clerk get prices from local dealers on two clocks such as are in his opinion needed, and report at next meeting. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Conner inquired concerning the proceedings for the improvement of Cabrillo Avenue in connection with the Pacific tracks. Engineer Leonard stated that the city has a proposal from Mr. Pontius, President of the Railway Company, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of the Company, to construct the railroad tracks in the center of the right-of-way from the depot to Carson Street putting in girder rails at an expense of the city not to exceed \$12,500.00 (the city also bear the expense of the entire paving of the right-of-way. Councilman Conner stated that he desired the council to know the status of this proceeding so that it might be taken under consideration as future business.

After some discussion with reference to using local help on the Carson Avenue School project, Councilman Conner moved that the City Attorney draw up a petition requesting the contractor who is awarded the contract to give employment to as many home people as possible. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Steiner moved that warrants be drawn for all bills properly audited. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Wright, Ludlow, Conner, Steiner and Klusman. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Steiner moved that the meeting be adjourned to Wednesday, May 11th, 1932, at 6:00 P. M. Councilman Conner seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 P. M.

Torrance, California, May 11th, 1932.

MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

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Chambers at Torrance, California, May 11th, 1932, and was called to order at 6:00 P. M. by Mayor Klusman.

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Attorney Jensen read Ordinance No. 232 for its final reading. **ORDINANCE NO. 232** AN ORDINANCE FIXING CITY JUDGES' AND CITY MARSHALS' COMPENSATION, AMENDING ORDINANCE 161 AND 195.

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TORRANCE NOTES

Miss C. Connelly of Los Angeles was the house guest of Mrs. Theresa Condy at her home on Post avenue last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Scott motored to Whittier Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Sanderhoff spent Sunday in Pasadena.

Mrs. George Piper and children enjoyed a picnic party and swimming at Harnosa Beach Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. J. F. Cook and Mrs. Laura Shelton were Los Angeles visitors Wednesday.

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Singed Chicken Cause of Blaze

Torrance Fire Department Answers Four Calls in Two Days

Four fire alarms in two days gave the Torrance fire department some business Sunday and Monday. The first alarm called the department to the Kettler ranch south of Torrance, where a house belonging to a Japanese was burning. The dwelling was completely destroyed, there being no way to hook up the hose to the available water supply.

A second alarm turned in about half an hour later called the department out to the same location, this call apparently being an error. On Monday, Mrs. J. E. Williams, residing on a chicken ranch at Arlington and Santa Fe avenue, dropped a blasting piece of paper with which she was singeing a chicken. Wind carried the paper into dry grass and a blaze was started. No damage was done.

Soon after returning from this call the firemen were summoned to 2411 Torrance boulevard, a residence occupied by J. M. Vario, recently arrived from Redondo Beach, where a defective flue in a water heater had caused a blaze. Damage to property at this address amounted to about \$100.

Week-end guests of Mrs. Flora McDonald at her home on Carson street were Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Preece and children, Grant and Lee, of Los Angeles.

Mrs. Larry Kirshman (Mary Guyan) was a week-end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Guyan at their home on Andree avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cassidy and J. V. Murray were in attendance Sunday at the state convention Knights of Columbus held at Mission Inn, Riverside.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morrow have returned to their home on Andree avenue from an Evangelistic tour of several months in the east.

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American Legion Auxiliary News

Be ready for that "emergency" call! The test mobilization call will be on Sunday morning, between May 22 and June 12. The fire siren will be sounded three consecutive times. Go to the Legion clubhouse and register. Bring first aid and food supplies. Remember you must go if this unit is to be 100%. Listen for the call.

Our Juniors
There will be a 19th district meeting of the Junior Auxiliary in San Pedro, May 21.

Indians Made Maple Syrup
TYRINGHAM, Mass.—(U.P.)—White men are said to have learned the art of making maple syrup from the Indians on what now is "Ashintuudy," the estate of Miss Mildred M. Tytus of Washington and her sister, Mrs. Lawrence Coolidge of Boston, here. Some of the maple trees tapped by the Indians when they revealed the secret are still growing on the estate.

Fingers flew as they hemmed dish towels and made table covers. Refreshments were served at the close of the evening by the committee in charge.

This unit will be hostesses at the 19th district meeting to be held in Wilmington, May 25. Any member wishing to attend please call Mrs. Sleeth, 283-W.

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